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DROWNS HERSELF IN CHESAPEAKE

Young Woman of Pocomoke City, Md., Leaps From a Steamer

WITH A MARRIED MAN

Couple Had Been in Baltimore—Her Companion, Man From Salisbury, Md., Arrested.

Salisbury, Md., Jan. 31—Fearing that she would be abandoned by the man with whom it is alleged she had run away from home, Miss Mary Spide, of Pocomoke City, committed suicide early yesterday morning by leaping from the upper deck of the steamer Virginia, of the Baltimore, Chesapeake and Atlantic Railway Company, into the Chesapeake Bay. Although the ship was stopped and boats lowered immediately, the young girl had sunk and the body was not recovered. The tragedy occurred near Hoopers Straits.

Miss Spide was on her way to Salisbury from Baltimore, where she had gone several days ago, it is said, with William Brewington, a married man, of this city.

No particular notice was paid the couple until early yesterday morning, when Captain Johnson of the Virginia heard Brewington tell the young woman that he would be compelled to leave her when they reached Salisbury.

This seemed to distress Miss Spide, it is said, and, bursting into tears, she threatened to drown herself.

Impressed by her earnestness, Captain Johnson detailed a stewardess to watch the young woman. Brewington apparently paid but little attention to the threat, and upon leaving the girl he went to the smoking room.

Miss Spide returned to her stateroom and in a few minutes returned to the deck, fully dressed, even to her furs. After a hasty glance around she rushed to the railing and, before the stewardess could interfere, jumped into the water.

Brewington returned to deck a few moments after the young woman had leaped to her death. He attempted to follow her, but was prevented by the ship's officers.

Captain Johnson learned of Miss Spide's act almost as soon as it was committed and ordered the steamer brought to a stop. Boats were lowered and a thorough search made, but the body had disappeared.

Brewington was then placed under arrest by Captain Johnson, and on the Virginia's arrival here was turned over to the authorities. He was placed in jail.

Brewington's attention to Miss Spide had been marked for some time. He was formerly a brakeman on the New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk Railway, running to Pocomoke City. He met Miss Spide, who lived with her parents in that town, and they were frequently seen together.

About four weeks ago Mrs. Brewington had her husband and Miss Spide arrested in this city, but both were let off with nominal fines. Angered by his wife's action, Brewington is said to have threatened to leave her. Several days ago he left home at the same time Miss Spide disappeared from Pocomoke City.

CARD OF THANKS.

I desire to express my sincere thanks to the firemen of Alexandria for their work last night at the Virginia Garage,

STEHPHEN DAVIS.

NOTICE

If the gentleman who was not satisfied with the service at the Alexandria Automobile Banquet in the Westminster Building Tuesday January 26, will kindly send his name and address to P. O. Box 242, by Tuesday, the ladies will be glad to return his $1.00.

Oysters In All Styles At The Rammel Cafe.

FLOODS IN CALIFORNIA

Marines and Sailors Ordered to Shoot Looters.

San Diego, Cal., Jan. 31—Looting, described by Rear Admiral Fullan, commanding the Pacfic reserve fleet, as "the worst I have ever seen," broke out today in the Otay valley, flood-swept by the breaking of the Otay dam last Friday. The lower valley was turned into an armed camp patrolled by marines and sailors from the battleship Oregon and the cruisers Milwaukee and South Dakota in San Diego Bay, with orders to shoot looters on sight.

The sailors and marines toiled hard to recover the bodies of those who lost their lives in the disaster, and at sundown 20 bodies, some of which were mutilated, had been gathered together. The loss of life in the Otay valley now is estimated at 50, while reports that the cloudburst in San Louis Rey and San Pasqual valleys cost no more than 10 lives brought the probable death list in this section to 60.

A new flood poured down the Tia Juana River today, which has risen four feet at its mouth at the foot of San Diego Bay. Officials here said that this undoubtedly indicated the bursting of the Morena dam, 60 miles back in the hills. Fearing that the 15,000,000,000 gallons of water impounded by the dam would tear a new channel for the river across the Coronado Strand into the sea, residents of Imperial Beach, a hamlet on the Strand, were ordered to flee.

DOHERTY REAPPOINTED

Governor Stuart Names Him To Serve Term of Two More Years As Labor Commissioner

James B. Doherty, for sixteen years Commissioner of Labor, was reappointed by Governor Stuart yesterday. The term is of two years, beginning March 1.

Commissioner Doherty was named over two opponents—Howard T. Colvin and M. R. Pace,—after a considerable contest, in which labor organizations throughout the State participated. Mr. Doherty, however, was most strongly endorsed and as his conduct of the affairs of office have been above reproach, and carries with it the approval of a majority of the people and the organizations most interested in the proper administration of the department.

Mr. Doherty was endorsed by fifty-three labor unions, sixteen members of the General Assembly, and seven members of Congress and 228 individuals.

Alexandria Unions were divided, some endorsing Doherty and others Colvin. The latter's home is in this city.

Mr. Colvin had the endorsement of twenty-one labor unions and was urged for appointment on one petition. Mr. Pace's endorsement was that of five labor unions and three individuals.

Commissioner Doherty was first named by Governor Montague and he has successively been named by the Governors since Mr. Montague.

Mr. Doherty is confined to his home with a severe case of grip, from which he is recovering. It is probable that he may be able to return to his office in the Capitol Building early in the coming week.

WOMAN AND SON MURDERED.

Buffalo, Jan. 31. — Mrs. Charles Teiper, 67, and her son, Frederick, were killed and Grace Teiper, a daughter was mortally wounded by a negro on the Orchard Park road about two miles from Buffalo early today. The negro attacked the party while their automobile was being repaired in the highway.

John E. Teiper, another son, was slightly injured in a fight with the negro.

Mrs. Teiper was shot through the back of the head and killed instantly. Fred Teiper was hit on the head by an iron bar and his skull crushed. Grace is at the Sister's Hospital in a serious condition. Her skull is fractured.

Much mystery surronds the affair as no motive for the killing is apparent.

FREE BOOK BILL IS ADOPTED

Measure Makes Supply of Text Books Optional With Voters

PROHIBITION BILL

Governor, It is Said, Will Veto Section Creating Office of Commissioner of Morals.

Richmond, Jan. 31—By a vote of 46 to 28, the House of Delegates on Saturday passed Delegate Fuller's free schoolbook bill, and the measure goes now to the Senate for concurrence. The bill was sharply fought when it was on the calendar on its second reading but opposition which has been expected yesterday failed to materialize.

The bill provides that whenever 25 per cent of the electorate of any school district in the State shall petition the trustees for the introduction of free txetbooks, then the electoral board of such district shall call an election on the question, and if a majority of the voters vote for free schoolbooks, it shall become the duty of the Board of Supervisors to provide them.

In the same manner, it is provided, an entire county may as a unit vote on the free schoolbook issue, and by a majority vote of the electorate direct the Board of Supervisors to carry out the will of the people. The act does not apply to cities and towns. An amendment provides that the law shall not apply to districts where the school term is less than seven months long, and another amendment provides that the free school book plan, once adopted, may be abandoned by the vote of a majority of the electorate.

Following a sharp debate, the House rejected by a vote of 40 to 34 a resolution introduced by Delegate Gordon, of Louisa, calling upon the clerks of the Supreme Court of Appeals to furnish the House with a statement showing the number of writs of error granted and the number denied where corporations were the plaintiffs in error, within the last five years; the same information where individuals or partnerships were plaintiffs in error; the number of reversals in favor of corporations and in favor of individuals or partnerships and the number of writs of error granted and denied in criminal cases during the past five years.

If the Legislature creates the office of Commissioner of Public Morals the Governor will veto the bill.

This statement was made at the Capitol Saturday by a man intimately acquainted with legislative procedure and with the program of the State administration. No statement, however, has been made by the Governor since publication of his message to the General Assembly. In this message Governor Stuart plainly put himself on record against taking the enforcement of the law out of the Chief executive's hands.

When the Anti-Saloon League bill was first planned the provisions calling for the creation of the office of Commissioner of Moral Welfare was omitted, this being done, it is said, because the league did not wish to oppose Governor Stuart more than necessary.

It was said that the general prohibition bill could be passed and that another measure providing for the creation of the commissioner sought by the Anti-Saloon League could then be introduced.

After a conference the Anti-Saloon leaders decided, however, to make a test of strength with the administration, and the provision creating the Commissioner of Moral Welfare was made one of the chief features of the general prohibition bill.

Supporters of the administration in both branches of the General Assembly will accept the challenge, it is said, and will do their utmost to keep the enforcement of law in the hands of the Governor, who, by virtue of oath of office, is sworn to carry out all the laws of the Commonwealth.

So determined is Governor Stuart to prevent, if possible, the creation of a new office and the transfer of authority from the State's chief executive to an Anti-Saloon League commissioner that it is his present purpose, it is said, though he has made no statement, to veto the bill if the Anti-Saloon League influence is the Legislature, admittedly very great, should be sufficient to pass it without the amendment striking out the provisions creating the commissioner in question.

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LOCAL BREVITIES

The Rector's Aid society of St. Paul's Church will give a supper in the Parish Hall on Thursday evening from 6 to 8 o'clock.

The members of the 17th Virginia Regiment, Chapter, are urgently requested to attend a called meeting in Lee Camp Hall, Wednesday morning at 10:30 o'clock.

A wagon belonging to Leachman & Saum and a buggy belonging to James Duncan collided on the road east of the Emerson Pump Works, this morning. The drivers of the vehicles and the horses attached to them escaped injury. The buggy was somewhat damaged.

The regular monthly meeting of Mary Custis Lee U. D. C., will be held in the Confederate Veterans' Building tomorrow, Tuesday, afternoon at three o'clock. Members of the Junior Daughters are requested to be present at this meeting.

The Alexandria German Club will give a dance on Friday Night Feb. 4th at Elks Hall. The members of the Assembly will be the guests of the German Club at this dance, and the tickets of admission can be secured at Gibson's Drug store.

Hon. Simeon D. Fess, representative in Congress from Ohio, delivered an address yesterday afternoon before the Laymen's League at the Richmond Theatre.

Funeral services for Ferdinand Wezenski, who died at the Alexandria Hospital Friday night were held this morning from St. Mary's Catholic Church.

Dr. Llewellyn Powell, will deliver an address on the "St. Andrew's Society of Alexandria, D. C., in 1789," at the annual dinner of the Scottish St. Andrew's Society of Washington to be held at the Willard next Saturday evening.

A chimney fire in the George B. Kennedy piano establishment, 1306 G street, northwest Washington, brought out a large part of the downtown fire department apparatus shortly after 8 o'clock last night, and attracted hundreds of people in the section to the scene. The fire was extinguished in a few minutes, no damage being done.

Arrangements have been made for a special train to leave Alexandria tomorrow night from the corner of King and Columbus street at 7:25 o'clock to convey the members of St. Mary's Alumnae and their friends to Washington where they will attend the performance at Poli's theatre.

STEAMED OYSTERS AT JACOB BRILL'S FOOT OF KING STREET.

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TONS OF BOMBS STRIKE PARIS

Twenty-Four Persons Killed and Twenty - Seven Wounded in Raid

HOUSES DESTROYED.

Majority of Victims Killed in Their Beds—Bombs Said to Weigh 600 Pounds Each.

Paris, June 31—Twenty-four persons were killed and 27 injured in the Zeppelin raid over Paris Saturday night, according to an official statement.

Thirty French aeroplanes searched the remote air regions above the city for the Zeppelin raider, of whose approach warning had been given. By the time it had reached the edge of one of the old quarters of the city several of the airmen were able to make out its pale yellow shape 14,000 feet from the earth.

Frightened, doubtless, by the numerous warplanes rising toward it, the Zeppelin wheeled and drove at full speed northward, dropping in its trail into the darkness a cargo of about three and a half tons of bombs. Then continuing its flight at a great altitude, the airship vanished.

Parisians had been warned, half an hour before by fire engines rushing through the streets trumpeting the call known as "stand to arms," of the presence of the raider. The electric street lights went out and policemen cautioned careless householders to close their shutters and darken their windows immediately. It was still early in the night, close to 10 o'clock, and many persons were in the streets. The cafes were open and the moving picture theatres and playhouses were still entertaining their spectators and audiences. Then in all parts of the city could be heard the whirr of numerous aeroplane propellers, while everywhere people went upon the balconies to watch for Zeppelins.

Few Parsians appeared to believe the raiders were likely to come, as they had been turned back many times previously. But suddenly in one of the northeastern parts of Paris there was a great flare in the sky as the Zeppelin dropped an illuminant, so that those in the airship might see whether they were over the city.

Then a bomb fell into a street, crushing through into the subway and tearing a hole 15 feet in diameter, but injuring no one. Quickly a series of other detonations occurred, sounding fully throughout the city.

One of the missiles fell on an isolated house occupied by a single family. The building was bisected, one end being demolished and its occupants hurled far out into an open lot and killed. The other end of the house was cut off sharply and a bedroom on the second floor was left intact with its occupants uninjured. The floor was carried away under the head of the bed, leaving the bed balanced on the jagged edge of the ruins, with a nine year old boy in it unharmed.

"It took us many years to save enough to build that home, with the help of my son's employer," said the grandmother of the boy, "but it is all gone in one night, together with my son and my daughter-in-law. But I have this lad left and he is plucky enough to begin it all over again, for although he was blocked up there on the edge of what is left o fthis little bedroom an hour before the firemen rescued him, he never flinched, never even whimpered."

It the more populous quarters, a bomb struck a six-story apartment building occupied by the families of workingmen, cutting it in two on the line of the corner of the kitchens from garret to cellar, burying 10 victims under the debris of the central part of the structure. The stret front was untouched, and on the other side of the gap the six kitchens of the building, one atop another, were left open to the weather, with the ranges and utensils in plain view and apparently undisturbed.

Altogether a dozen bombs weighing about 600 pounds each, were dropped.

None of the fatalities occurred in the open streets, the majority of the victims being killed in their beds.

A fog of considerable density hung over Paris at the time of the raid.

POPULARITY INCREASES.

Seymour's Sunshine Girls Booked for This Week.

The popularity of the New Opera House continues to increase from week to week.. Tonight one of the best known musical comedy companies on the road will open their engagemenat this Theatre. Seymor's Sunshine Girls, have a well deserved reputation as being one of the best singing, and dancing combination on this circuit. Mr. Phillips is again fortunate enough to obtain a newly released picture, through the V. L. S. E. Film Co., Alexandrians will have the opportunity of seeing a picture that was only placed on the market two days ago. It is entitled "A Daughter of the City." and is in five reels, featuring those well known artists Margaret Clayton, and E. H. Calvert.

The management is certainly to be congratulated on their progressive spirit, and if they maintain the class of pictures, and shows that they have been presenting since they opened this house, they will have the goodwill and personal attendance of all in this city who appreciate their efforts.

BLAZE ON KING STREET

Firemen Fight Conflagration in F. S. Harper's Wholesale House Nearly Five Hours

Fire, which was discovered at 9:30 o'clock last night, in the third story of the warehouse of F. S. Harper, Inc., wholesale grocers, on King street, between Lee and Union streets, caused a damage to the stock stored in the building of between $8,000 and $10,000 and also damaged the building and the adjoining structure occupied by the Virginia garage, Stephen Davis, proprietor, to the extent of several thousand dollars.

When the fire was discovered thick clouds of black smoke were pouring from the third stor yof the warehouse. The building had been closed since Saturday afternoon and where the fire became ignited there were no material of an inflamable nature, the contents of this story being glass bottles, lamp chimneys, clothespins, wooden mop handles, etc. On the second floor was stored a carload of matches, but only the to player of boxes became ignited from the fire above. The second story also contained cereals and a miscellaneous stock and the first floor, salt and fish.

After the department reached the scene water was poured into the third story for more than an hour before any flames were seen. The firemen were unable to enter the building because of the dense smoke. When the garage adjoining became ignited and it was seen that the building owned by the Broders estate was endangered the new chemical and pumping engine was called into service.

During the course of the fire Chief Robert E. Gronau, while climbing a ladder in the elevator well of the Virginia garage fell and was bruised and shaken up. He was taken to his home by Dr. W. A. Warfield, and C. J. W. Summers, chairman of the fire committee of city council, took charge.

DECLAMATION CONTEST.

Will be Held Under Auspices of Richmond College on Feb. 22nd.

The annual declamation contest between representatives of the high schools of Virginia to be held under the auspices of Richmond College in Richmond will take place this year on February 22nd., and the Alexandria High School will be represented. A preliminary contest to select the representative of the high school will be held Saturday night according to arrangement which were completed Saturday night.

Oysters In All Styles At The Rammel Cafe.

RESENT CHARGES MADE BY SLEMP

Democratic Leaders Say Elections are Conducted Honestly

FUSION WOULD FAIL

Suggestion That Glass or Tucker Might Seek Senate With Republican Aid Repudiated.

Washington, Jan. 31—Charges by Representative Bascom Slemp, chairman of the Republican State Committee, that Virginia elections are not honest have aroused a storm of resentment among the Virginia Democratic leaders in Washington. Mr. Slemp made this charge in a statement, offering to throw 50,000 Republican votes behind an independent Democratic candidate for the United States Senate in an effort to defeat Claude A. Swanson and thereby undermine the "Democratic State organization."

Representative H. D. Flood, one of the Democratic State leaders, in refuting the Slemp charges, declared that the principal sources of talk about election dishonesty in Virginia comes from Mr. Slemp's own district, the Ninth. Representative Walter A. Watson, of the fourth district, who presided over the Beatty murder trial, said it has been 20 years since Virginia elections were open to criticism. In those days the negro voted.

Mr. Slemp's comment was directed at the present election laws, which do not give the minority party an opportunity to name its represenative in the polling booths. He said that the majority party not only dictates the personnel of the election officers in the general elections but in the primaries, and that if the Democratic "organization" leaders wish to place the Virginia elections above suspicion they should allow the minority factions and minority party to select their representatives in the polling booths. In this way, Mr. Slemp adds, the minority would have an election official it could rely upon and who would challenge quickly the election returns.

As far as can be learned there is no chance for Mr. Slemp to bring about a coalition of the Republicans and the "anti-organization" Democrats in Virginia in the United States Senatorial contest. To some of his friends Mr. Slemp has suggested Representative Carter Glass as the independent candidate for the Senate, but those who know Mr. Glass declare he will never make a fight for an office outside his own party ranks. If he portunity to name its representative seks a seat in the Senate he will oppose Senator Swanson in the primaries and then support the junior Senator in the event he is nominated.

Some of Mr. Slemp's friends have also suggested former Representative Harry St. George Tucker as an independent coalition candidate, but it is not believed Mr. Tucker will consent to such a movement.

It is Mr. Slemp's idea that the Republicans will give the independent Democratic candidate 50,000 or 60,000 votes. He says that if this candidate is able to poll another 10,000 votes from the ranks of the "anti-organization" Democrats he can win.

While Mr. Slemp's offer to fuse the Republicans with the "anti-organization" Democrats in an effort to defeat Senator Swanson for the Senate attracted a good deal of attention, there is no indication that it will be accepted.

ELKS' ANNIVERSARY BANQUET

Arrangements for the fourteenth anniversary banquet of Alexandria Lodge of Elks to be held on February 9th. were made at a meeting which was held yesterday in the Elks' Auditorium. Robert S. Barrett, was elected toastmaster and it was decided to invite a number of distinguished speakers who will make addresses on this occasion.

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Coming Next Week—GEO. STONE and THE SOCIAL MAIDS.

READ THE GAZETTE

OLD FIRM IN TROUBLE

Petition in Involuntary Bankruptcy Filed Against E. S. Leadbeater and Co., Inc.

A petition in involuntary bankruptcy was filed in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia this morning against the firm of E. S. Leadbeater and Sons, Incorporated, one or the oldest firm of wholesale druggists in the United States. The filing of the petition was not a surprise to many Alexandrians as it had been known that the firm had been in financial troubles for some time and that there were a number of claims against the company in the hands of local attorneys. A judgment was secured against it in the corporation court last week.

The petition for bankruptcy was filed by Attorney Gardner L. Boothe, representing three creditors, the First National Bank of Alexandria, The Citizens' National Bank of Alexandria and the W. A. Smoot and Co. Inc. In the petition it is stated that the firm owes these creditors about $40,000 as follows: First National bank, unsecured notes, $6,996.93, endorsers on notes, $3,415.01. Citizens National, unsecured notes, $12,468.50; endorsers on notes, $16,087.55; W. A. Smoot and Co. unsecured notes $475; open account, $99.99.

The petition further states that on January 29th. the company through its president admitted its inability to pay its debts.

The firm dates its inception back to 1792 when it was established by Edward Stabler, great grandfather of Clarence, Edward and John Leadbeater. The store was located on south Fairfax street, just south of the building used by the retail department. The building now occupied by the latter was erected in 1802. In 1820 the firm name was changed to E Stabler and Son, the new member of the firm being William Stabler. In 1831 the latter succeeded to the business, the firm name becoming William Stabler. In 1840 William Stabler's brother, Henry, became interested in the business and the name was changed to William Stabler and Co., In 1844 John Leadbeater, a brother-in-law of William Stabler and grandfather of Clarence, Edward and John Leadbeater, entered the firm and the name was changed to William Stabler and Brother. In 1852 William Stabler died and John Leadbeater became the proprietor calling the business after his own name. In 1857 his son, Edward S. Leadbeater, was made a junior partner, the name being changed to John Leadbeater and Son. John Leadbeater died in 1860 and the business was carried on during the war by his son Edward S. Leadbeater for his mother. In 1865 the business was known under the firm name of E. S. Leadbeater and Co. and in 1869 under the name of E. S. Leadbeater and Bro., Thomas Leadbeater having become a partner. In 1892 Clarence, Edward and John Leadbeater, Sons of Edward S. Leadbeater, were taken into partnership the firm name becoming E. S. Leadbeater and Sons. In 1905 the business was incorporated. E. S. Leadbeater, Sr., died in 1899.

The present officers of the company are Clarence C. Leadbeater, president; Edward S. Leadbeater, vice-president, John Leadbeater, secretary and treasurer.

Edward S. Leadbeater, vice-president, stated today that it was impossible at this time to make a statement of the firm's assets and liabilities. He said that there were a number of reasons for the bankruptcy proceedings as it had been known to the members of the company for the past two years that they were losing money. It was hoped, however, that there would be a change and that they would also be able to secure sufficient money from outside sources to pull them through. This did not materialize. He said that the retail and manufacturing departments of the business had always been profitable but that the loss had been incurred in the wholesale end.

While the officers of the company were unable to make any statement as to their future plans today, it was stated that it was hoped that the company would be able to weather the storm and reorganize the business on a smaller scale.

A large number of business men called at the store and offered their sympathy to the Leadbeaters. The firm has always stood high in the business world until its recent troubles and the hope was expressed that they would be able to continue in business.

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At a meeting held Saturday night, at the residence of Mrs. Julian T. Burke, an Alexandria branch of the War Relief Association of Virginia, was formed.

APPROACHING PRIMARY

All Candidates to Enter Contest April 4 Must File Names By Next Thursday Night

The City Democratic Committee, Charles Benhelm, chairman, met Saturday night in the office of Howard W. Smith, and fixed Thursday night as the date by which time all candidates for city offices to be elected in the primary to be held April 4th. must file their formal notices with the chairman. Candidates for mayor must depost $20 with the city treasurer as their fee for entry and candidates for city council $1 each. They must also present a petition signed by 50 qualified voters requesting the candidate to run. According to the State law, the petition must be sworn to by the person or persons witnessing the signatures.

The three candidates for mayor, Thomas A. Fisher, the incumbent, F. F. Marbury, now a member of common council, and James M. Duncan, together with several whose terms as councilman are about to expire, attended the meeting.

The terms of half of the members of council will expire as follows: Board of Aldermen—J. M. Hill, First ward; W. W. Ballenger, Second ward; Henry K. Field, Third ward; James B. Fitzgerald, Fourth ward. Common council—H. R. Burke and C. S. T. Burke, First ward; Howard W. Smith, and R. D. Brumback, Second ward; John T. Harrison and August J. Pohl, Third ward; Albert Bryan and Clinton S. Ballenger, Fourth ward.

That there will be some new faces in the next council is indicated by the fact that Alderman Hill is ill and probably will not be a candidate to succeed himself; Alderman Field has moved from the Third to the Second ward; Councilman H. R. Burke has moved from the First ward to the Third and Councilman Howard W. Smith has moved from the Second ward to the First. It is expected that several who have moved from the wards they now represent will be candidates for election from the wards in which they are now located.

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Interesting News Notes About People of Alexandria—Happenings In Society.

The home of Jefferson Aitcheson in Rosemont was entered by burglars last night who secured a breast pin valued at $40. A quantity of silver ware and other jewelry which were n sight were not taken.

In police court this morning Charles Byrd, a colored boy 11 years old was sent to the reform school for stealing newspapers.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexandria Suter, of Rosemont, have gone to Old Point Comfort where Mrs. Suter will spend the next two weeks.

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FIGHTS BLIZZARD FOR BOY

Father Brings Son Through Storm for Appendicitis Operation

Ashland, Wis., Jan. 31—Edward Ellington arrived here late last night with his 15-year-old son Anton for an emergency operation for appendicitis. His boy was so sick that he had to strap him to the horse's back, with the blizzard to savage that the father had to abandon the horse to its instinct and allow it to find its own way, while he kept from being lost by clinging to its tail, as horse and man floundered through the drifts. The boy may not live, but would have been dead but for his father's strenous journey.

The blizzard was so savage the father could not get a team through the storm, and a trip of 15 miles led the pair to a railroad, where the father flagged a train going the wrong direction and changed to a fast train at the first station. He then changed cars, arriving here in time for an operation at midnight in the local hospital.

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REPUBLICAN MASS MEETING

The Republican committee of Alexandria has called a mass meeting for February 12th. at 7:30 p. m. at the Elks' Annex for the purpose of electing delegates to the state and city convention and to transact any other business which may come before the meeting. All citizens qualified to vote and desiring to affiliate with the Republican party are cordially invited to attend.

H. S. QUINN, Chairman.

POLICE JUSTICE BILL

Measure Passes Both Branches Of the Legislature and Relieves Situation in This City

Under a suspension of the rules, the House of Delegate on Saturday passed a bill introduced by Delegate Birrell, of Alexandria, relieving a strange police court situation that has existed in this city for nearly two years.

The General Assembly of 1914, approved an act providing a police court for the city of Alexandria, Imperfections in this act caused the special session of 1915 to pass another Alexandria police court bill. This act in the opinion of acknowledged authorities, was unconstitutional, because the title of the bill did not adequately set forth its character.

The term of the present police justice of Alexandria expires on February 1, and the question of his reappointment to a court whose existence was clouded had become a matter of serious consideration. The appointment must be made by Judge Barley, of the Corporation Court.

Senator Thornton, of Fairfax and Delegate Birrell of Alexandria, held counsel on Friday afternoon and framed a bill to relieve the situation. The House responded to Mr. Birrell's request for a suspension of the rules in order that the bill may be made law before February 1, and passed it as the first order of business. The same courtesy was accorded by the Senate and the bill will go to the Governor for his signature on Monday. Being an emergency measure, it will become law at once, just in time to relieve a situation which had become extremely awkward.

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ALEXANDRIA REPUBLICANS

Efforts in Behalf of J. L. Crupper, Candidate for Delegate-at-large.

Alexandria republicans have started a campaign to have Joseph L. Crupper elected a delegate-at-large from Virginia to the National Republican convention which meets in Chicago, this summer. His friends who have inaugurated the Crupper boom state that they have met with much encouragement and expect that he will not have any opposition in the city and district conventions which will be held at 7:30 o'clock on February 12th. and the district convention at one o'clock on February 22nd. The state convention will be held in Roanoke in March.

Mr. Crupper is a former postmaster of Alexandria and has long been the head of the Republican organization in this part of the state. At the last Congressional election he opposed Representative Charles C. Carlin, and it is understood that he is considering entering the race again against Mr. Carlin, in the November election.

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GERMANY'S DEFIANCE

Alleges Great Britain is Obstacle to Peace Cannot Starve Teutons .. Into Submission

New York, Jan. 31—"Great Britain is the obstacle to peace. She hopes to starve Germany into submission. We will meet her on the economic battlefield which she has selected."

Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg made this statement recently to party leaders in the Reichstag. He called them into conference to present a frank outline of the situation.

England has compelled her allies to refrain from entering upon any movement which has peace as its object. Having failed to crush Germany by armed force, she hopes now to succeed in an economic war.

"For this reason the war will probably last for sometime," continued the chancellor, "I am telling you this since we may as well prepare for it We must take measure to safeguard our food and other supplies. We must be independent of all overseas trade which is controlled by Great Britain.

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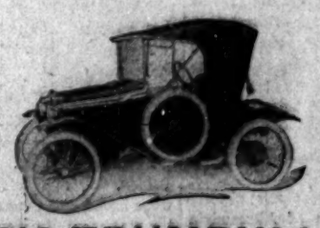
$395.  $395.

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WILSON AND PREPAREDNESS.

The quiet of an otherwise tranquil Sunday was disturbed yesterday by the handful headlines of the newspapers concerning President's Wilson's intimations that the United States is dangerously near to war. The Lusitania case, which it was supposed, or, at least, hoped had been virtually settled, seems to have healed falsely, and is again irritating. Germany has not complied with the demands of the United States, and the words of the President to the effect that the contry's honor is imperilled naturally caused a tremor of excitement.

Dispatches, however, from Berlin do not take a pessimistic view of the situation, and they intimate that the issue has not passed beyond the bounds of diplomacy. The report circulated to the effect that the United States had sent an ultimatum, demanding an answer from Germany during the first week of February, is positively denied at the State Department.

While Germany has been irritating in her communications with this country, we prefer to believe she is not impelled of reason. The fact, however, remains, that the Lusitania was destroyed without warning and that no time was given passengers and crew to escape, although the horror occurred comparatively close to land. This country has been infested by German spies and munition factories have been destroyed, injured in mysterious ways, while strikes have been fomented here and there.

Mr. Wilson would avoid war, but it must not be done by forfeiting the honor of the country.

The United States is insisting now on two points which we have been insisting on for six month. The first is Germany formal "disavowal" of her right to sink the Lusitania as she did; and the second is the payment of an indemnity for the loss of American lives. Germany has manifested a willingness to do the latter, but refuses to make a positive admission that the Lusitania was sunk illegally. There has been a popular impression that Germany had virtually conceded this point in the subsequent case of the Arabic, in which she pledged herself to sink no liners without warning and in which we were formally notified that such stringent orders had been issued to submarine commanders that the recurrence of similar incidents were considered out of the question by the German Governmet.

But is would seem that Germany has never conceded the principle involved in the Lusitania case, and that she will not admit that it was an offense against neutral rights and international law. The policy she announced herself willing to abandon as perhaps unprofitable and inexpedient and she is willing to pay for the American lives sacrificed in striking her enemy; but she will not say that the principle on which she proceeded was unjustified and unjustifiable in the situation by which she found herself confronted.

APOLOGY FOR THE SERPENT

Long before Moses was nestling in a basket of bulrushes in the river Nile the ophidian species were regarded as the enemies of mankind. Among the Egyptian divinities was one known as Apophis, the snake god. This god was at one time held in some esteem, but later was regarded as the arch enemy of the human race. The Egyptian cobra is said to be one of the most dangerous of the reptile creation, and it is as much of a menace to life in the land of the Pharaohs as is the deadly cobra de capello (the Probably Moses's rod wa sturned in-Probably Mosess rod was turned into one of this species which caused him to flee before it.

We are told that a serpent was responsible for the sin and woe and all the ills in the world. Scholars are puzzled over the etymology of the Hebrew word translated serpent, but seventy Jews of Alexandria, Egypt, who translated the Old Testament into Greek several centuries before the Christian era believed the word meant a serpent; the English translators followed them. Hence through all these years the seed of the woman has bruised the serpent's head. Poisonous and non-poisonous meet the same fate.

Many years ago the farmers of England made a crusade against the snakes of the island. Next year their crops were almost devoured by rats and mice. They saw their mistake and allowed the snakes to multiply to a certain extent.

A western farm journal comes to the rescue of the serpent and says it is the natural friend of man and among other things it says the snake is the best friend of the farmer and the poultry raiser. Rats, weasels and other rodents destroy crops and are the natural enemy of domestic fowl Snakes are the natural enemy of rodents. Keep a few snakes to kill off the young rodents and in time your crops and your chickens will be safe.

To the cereal crops alone in the United States rodents cause an annual loss of $100,000,000. If only harmless snakes were let alone and not brutally killed at every opportunity think what an immense saving this would be to the farmers! If snakes were given half a chance the loss to farmers and poultry raisers from rodents would be reduced to practically nothing.

The chicken snake also might be used with profit. This reptile is so called because it is said to kill chickens. The truth of the matter, however, is that the chicken snake kills the rats and weasels, especially the young ones. Almost any of our nonpoisonous snakes of the Northeastern United States might be used.

The snake is the natural friend of man, and it is only prejudice, superstition and error that make it otherwise.

ERRORS IN NEWSPAPERS.

Newspaper readers frequently call attention to typographical errors, and are somewhat given to saying that they "don't see how such a mistake occurred." The wonder is that so few mistakes do occur. The Philadelphia Public Ledger recently revived the story that the Oxford edition of the Bible was read and reread ten times, and that immediately after its publication a reward of $250 was offered to any one who should discover a typographical blunder. One was found in the first chapter of Genesis. There is another tradition that the man who read proofs of the Lord's Prayer for that edition went insane for fear he would make a mistake.

One of the great dictionaries published in this country, a standard authority, was read in proof eleven times, and some of the most learned men in the United States were constantly engaged in revising it, yet typographical errors still may be found in the completed work. Blunders in publications of ordinary books, no matter from what publishing house, are common, though they are carefully read and reread.

The Richmond Times-Dispatch suggests that in a newspaper plant, operators of typesetting machines set from the original "copy"; considerable speed must be maintained; proof is taken of the matter thus set and is read— never more than twice— by a proof reader, who marks on the margin such corrections as may be necessary. The lines marked are reset, and the new lines of type are substituted for these in which errors were found. Then the type goes into the form and impression is made.

Therefore, newspaper men smile when they hear, "I don't see how such a mistake occurred."

BUTCHERY OF WAR.

The casualty lists published in Berlin contain 2,535,768 names. Of these 588,896 are reported as killed—doubtless this includes all known to have died of wounds, —1,366,549 as wounded and missing, 356,153 are prisoners and 24,080 are dead from various causes, probably exposure and disease.

Only Prussian casualties and those of the Imperial Navy are published in Berlin. Bavarian, Saxon and Wurtemburg losses are set down in lists published in the capitals of those kingdoms. Prussia contains 40,000,000 of the 65,000,000 population of Germany Assuming that losses have been in proportion to population, German casualties reach the hideous total of 4,123,125.

The human mind cannot imagine the misery represented by such figures. It can scarcely grasp the mere physicial depletion of man power which they set forth. Yet, this is the blood drain on a single combatant. To reach the total cost of humanity, add to these figures the French, Austrian, British, Russian, Italian, Belgian, Serbian, Montenegrin, Bulgarian and Turkish losses.

Was the Austrian Archduke worth such a price?

NEWS OF THE DAY

Denmark is said to be threatened with serious labor troubles. Strikes involving 25,000 men will begin tomorrow, mostly in the shipyards.

An explosion occurred in a private powder factory at Rosenheim, Bavaria Saturday. The material damage, according to an official report, apparently was unimportant, but a small number of lives was lost.

A telegram from Zurich states that frontier dispatches report a military train from Freiborg was blown up, Saturday during a French air raid. Many persons were killed and wounded.

There was a little tragedy down in Water street, New Cork, yesterday. Six year old Willie Brennan shot and killed his 5 year old brother, Johnny with a pistol with which both were playing.

A French warship landed a force of sailors at Rethymenon, on the Island of Crete. The officers arrested the interpreter attached to the German consulate, took him aboard the warship and sailed away.

A dispatch from Cologne reports that at Kalk, just across the river, an express train collided with a hospital train and forty-seven passengers abroad the hospital train were seriously injured. Six persons aboard the express train were injured and one killed.

Malcolm Wood, 17 years of age, was committed to the Wake county, N. C., jail last week for the murder of his father, F. M. Wood, in Holly Springs township. The boy claims his father was attempting to whip him and he used a shot gun in self defense. The father was shot through the head.

The French Government, after lengthy negotiations, has released 16,000 bales of American wotton that had been stored at Havre and Boulogne, and which could not be forwarded on account of the war. There is great need in Switzerland for cotton, some of the mills already having suspended work. Great Britain has permitted Switzerland to import 300,000 quintals (a quintal is 220.46 pounds) of Egyptian cotton.

What is spoken of as one of the most tragic accidents in the vicinity of High Point, N. C., for many years happened in the Fairview community last week, when Edgar Hohn, 28 years old, and of splendid physique, fell with his face directly across a revolving circular saw, severing his lower jaw bone, cutting his tongue in two, and sawing off part of his nose. He also received severe bruises about his body and some fearful injuries to his arms. Three High Point physicians attended him as soon as possible and wired together his jaw, sewed and bandaged his face and arms. It is thought by the physicians that he will live, though he will be greatly disfigured for life.

Minnie Meyers, 33 years old of High landtown, Md., was shot dead in a rooming house, in Baltimore, yesterday morning. Griffin Brown, 38 years old, of Crabapple Neck, Kent Island, Md., is locked up charged with murder. The woman was once the wife of Joseph (Buffalo) Meyers, who was stabbed to death in the Gayety Rathskeller Baltimore, by Mamie Tuma two years ago. The woman was killed shortly after 4 o'clock. Mac Franklin, proprietor of the house, discovered the tragedy. She said the pair had come to her place only a short time before, saying they were husband and wife, and engaged a room on the second floor.

What the weather bureau last night termed "a serious condition of affairs" has been caused along the lower Mississippi and lower Arkansas rivers by the rains of the past 36 hours. A stage of 55 feet is indicated for Arkansas City, Ark., and somewhat higher stages below that city than those previously forecast. Rains during the past 36 hours over the central river valley, except the Missouri, the weather bureau announcement added, had created a serious flood condition along the rivers of Indiana and southern Illinois, and flood warnings of very high stages have been issued for those sections.

Oysters In All Styles At The Rammel Cafe.

VIRGINIA NEWS

Robert Whittet, jr., chairman of the Richmond Administrative Board, died at Grace Hospital yesterday afternoon, following an operation last week. 31

After spending sixty years of her life in the Shenandoah county almshouse, Miss Sarah Pence, died Friday She was nearly eighty years old, She was a member of the Methodist church and all her life was a constant churchgoer.

The Southern Railway has lost upwards of $25,000 worth of freight cars which have been burned by tramps in the vicinity of Lynchburg in the past month.

The sales of dark loose leaf tobacco, in Lynchburg, last week aggregated 1,412,100 pounds, the heaviest for several years. The week's offerings bring the sales since September 1, up to 6,317,500 pounds. Price held up remarkably well, considering the crowded condition of the local factories.

Mrs. T. N. Nichols, of Portsmouth, was asaulted and fatally injured in her bedroom Friday night. She is now at the King's Daughters hospital, where she was operated on. her skull having been fractured. Her condition is critical. Her assailant used a flatiron.

T. M. Durvin, one of the oldest engineers on the Southern Railway, who had often expressed a desire "to die in harness," had his wish gratified today, when he was taken out of his cab on the Richmond train, at Keysville, suffering from heart failure and died less than fifteen minutes afterwards.

Weather almost unprecedentedly warm for January prevails in Rockingham county. At Massanetta Springs robins and bluebirds have appeared. Ripe strawberries are reported from Bridgewater, and throughout the county the baseball teams are playing a winter schedule.

Not guilty was the verdict of the jury in the case of the State against Mrs. Sallie Pickett, tried in the Wythe Circuit Court, charged with killing her husband, James Pickett, in this county, on the 17th of January. The verdict was afterwards amended to include Archer Haynes, and his wife, Sallie, father and mother of Mrs. Pickett, who were jointly indicted with Mrs. Pickett, Mrs. Pickett was discharged at once and her parents were released from prison.

Harry H. Amiss, who, about ten years ago married Miss Ethel Huffman, daughter of John R. Huffman formerly a well known farmer of Rileyville, Page county, now a resident of Fauquier county, committed suicide by hanging himself at Front Royal, Warren county, last week. Amiss, who was the junior member of the mercantile firm of Amiss & Son, of that place, had been in ill health for some time.

Highwaymen Saturday night held up an undertaker's wagon containing the body of Aleksian Agopoffsa, former du Pont employe, on the Hopewell road, near Petersburg, and, after clubbing George Burton, the colored driver, into insensibility drove away with the corpse. One of the horses broke away from the wagon and the other was so badly injured when the highwaymen tried to drive the wagon over a trestle that it had to be killed. The wagon was struck by a train and demolished. The corpse was taken to Petersburg, on a special train that carrie dthe detectives.No arrests have been made.

Joseph Dinnerstey, alias Joseph Hoffman, 25 years old, sent to the Henrico county jail Tuesday in default of a $2.50 fine for trespassing and hoboeing, ended his life yesterday afternoon by choking himself to death with a cloth belt. He left a note asking that Frank Liedman, of New York be notified. A letter in his pocket, addressed to J. Baslow, 473 Broadway New York, said the writer was sorry for having robbed Lewis & Baslow and asked forgiveness with a promise to pay the money back with interest. "I have suffered terribly and wish some one would kill me," the letter concluded.

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MISSING SUBMARINE

One of Flotilla of Four Disappear In Fog on the Coast

One of the four submarines of the K type, a member of a flotilla of four submersibles en route from the New York navy yard to Key West, is "lost in the fog," according to an official naval radio message received in Washington last night.

The submarines in the flotilla were the K-1, K-2, K-5, and K-6. The number of the missing submarine was not contained in the radio to the Navy Department, but it was said to be the K-5.

Charleston, S. C. Jan. 31—Reports reached here last night from apparently reliable sources that one of four submarines of the K type, en route from Northern ports to Florida, had been missing since 1 o'clock Sunday morning.

The monitor Tallahassee and three submarines of the K type, said to be the K-1, K-2, and K-6, arrived off Charleston bar early last night, but did not enter on account of the fog. The buoy tender Mangrove left Charleston apparently toward Cape Roman, off the Carolina coast northward of here, where it was said the submarine was last sighted. The K-5 was one of the four submersibles en route to Pensacola.

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 31—It was reported here last night that the Navy Department has ordered several torpedoboat destroyers and naval tugs to proceed to sea from Charleston to search for a submarine boat reported missing since Sunday morning.

New York, Jan. 31—The submarines K-1, K-2, K-5, and K-6, each carrying a crew of from six to eight men, sailed from here Friday for Key West for winter maneuvers along the Flodida coast. They were accompanied by the submarine tender Tallahassee.

MAN HAD A RAZOR.

Suspicious Character Arrested at Cleveland Hotel When President and Wife were Leaving.

Cleveland, Jan. 31.—President Wilson put in a quiet day here yesterday resting from his strenuous time of Saturday. He and Mrs. Wilson attended services at the Euclid Avenue Presbyterian Church, yesterday morning Their visit to the church had not been arranged in advance and the congregation was surprised to find the President and his wife present.

While the President and Mrs. Wilson were getting into their auto at the hotel to go to church a man in the crowd began fumbling in his pockets. Detectives pounced upon him at once. A razor was found in his pocket. He gave his name as Charles Kalcestian and said he was an Austrian. He denied that he knew the President was in the city. He is being held on suspicion.

Yesterday afternoon the President and his wife went for a long auto ride. They stopped for a short visit with the President's cousin, Mrs. S. P. Fenn, 2051 East Eighty-first street.

The only time the President considered official affairs yesterday was when he dictated a telegram to Senator Ollie James, to be read before a meeting of Hungarians in New York The telegram follows:

"May I not send my warmest greetings to the meeting and will you not express for me my very deep and sincere confidence in the entire loyalty and patriotism of the great body of our fellow-citizens who have strengthened and enriched America by adding their energy to our own to make a great America."

The President's party left Cleveland last night for Milwaukee, where the President will deliver an address tomorrow afternoon. Several speeches will be made en route from the train tomorrow.

OFFICIAL

An ordinance to amend section 4 of an ordinance entitled an ordinance to prohibit the maintaining of any privy either box or well, upon any property in the city of Alexandria, Va., when said property binds upon any street or alley in which a public sewer has been or shall hereafter be constructed.

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CALL FOR REPUBLICAN CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT CONVENTION.

Alexandria, Va., Jan. 17, 1916.

To the Republican County and City Chairmen and Electors of the Eighth Congressional District of Virginia:

Responding to the call of the Republican National Committee and in accordance with the party plan of organization, the District Committee hereby directs that a Congressional Convention be held in the City of Alexandria, Va., on the 22 day of February, 1916 at one o'clock P. M. for electing one delegate and one alternate to the National Convention to be held at Chicago, Ill., June 7, 1916; selecting one Presidential Elector, a member of the State Executive Committee, nominating a candidate for Congress, selecting five members of the State Committee and a Chairman of the Congressional District Committee.

Said district Convention shall congard to past party affiliations who believe in the principles of the Republican Party and indorse its policies are cordially invited to unite under this call in selecting delegates to the District Convention.

All electors of the 8th Congressional District of Virginia without resist of one delegate for each 25 votes cast for President in 1908. For each delegate elected to this convention an alternate shall be chosen to serve in case of the absence of the delegate. The number of delegates and alternates to be chosen by each county and city of the Congressional District is shown below:

	Dele-gates	Alter-nates
Alexandria City	10	10
Alexandria County	7	7
Culpeper County	9	9
Fairfax county	16	16
Fauquier county	15	15
King George County	8	8
Loudoun county	18	18
Louisia county	8	8
Orange county	8	8
Prince William county	19	19
Stafford county	12	12

Delegates shall be elected according to the party plan of organization and credentials of delegates and alternates signed by the permanent chairman and secretary of the convention or mass meeting and countersigned by the County or City Chairman shall be sent to H. A. Sager, Herndon, Va., Secretary of the Congressional District Committee.

Please remember that County and City Committees are to be chosen at the County or City conventions or mass meetings.

By direction of the Congressional District Committee.

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